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SUBJECT: VENEZUELA TO BUY JAMAICAN BAUXITE

- 1. ACCORDING TO THE SUNDAY DAILY NEWS, GOV PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ WILL ARRIVE IN JAMAICA SUNDAY, MARCH 23, FOR TWO DAYS OF DISCUSSIONS WITHPM MANLEY CONCERNING A "MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR DEAL BASED ON THE SALE OF BAUXITE" TO VENEZUELA. THE TWO MEN WILL ATTEMPT TO FINALIZE THE ARRANGEMENT WHICH HAS BEEN UNDER DISCUSSION SINCE MAY 1974. THE DAILY NEWS FRONT PAGE ARTICLE STATED THAT CHAIRMAN OF THE BAUXITE COMMISSION, PAT ROUSSEAU, IS PRESENTLY IN CARACAS BUT EXPECTED TO RETURN TO JAMAICA VERY SOON.
- 2. PRESIDENT PEREZ IS ALSO EXPECTED TO VISIT OTHER REGIONAL BAUXITE PRODUCING COUNTRIES SINCE THE GOV HAS ALSO HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH SURINAM AND GUYANA

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3. COMMENT: MINEXTAFF UNABLE TO DATE TO CONFIRM PEREZ

VISIT. GOJ CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND MGR ROY JONES (MEMCON POUCHED) TOLD ECONOFF THAT GOV PRESIDENT'S VISIT STRICTLY A "FISHING EXPEDITION" AND CONCRETE AGREEMENT A LONG WAY OFF. GERARD

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